GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:393
ANSWERED ON:21.08.2000
PREPARATION FOR OLYMPICS
AJAY SINGH CHAUTALA;CHINTAMAN NAVSHA WANAGA

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are making special preparations for India`s participation in the Olympics to be held at Sydney in September, 2000;

(b) if so, the details thereof; (

(c) whether the Government have taken decision regarding the events in which India is likely to participate;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether selection of Indian players for the same has been finalised as per the existing norms and the players are being imparted intensive training with the help of some foreign coaches; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFIARS & SPORTS AND MINES (SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH DHINDSA)

(a) to (f) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFRRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (f) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.393 FOR 21.8.20 REGARDING PREPARATION FOR OLYMPICS, 2000 - ASKED BY SHRI AJAY SINGH CHAUTALA AND SHRI CHINT WANAGA.

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir. The Government is providing special training to our sportspersons who have qualified for Olympics as per the qualification norms laid down by International Sports Federations. The probables of Olympic Games are imparted coaching by foreign coaches and some of them are sent abroad for intensive coaching. All necessary scientific and equipment support is provided by the Government. In Rowing and Hockey, the teams have been sent to U.S.A. and Australia respectively for intensive training under expert supervision.

(c) & (d) : Yes, Sir. India has qualified to participate in the XXVIIth Olympic Games to be held from 15th September, 2000 to 1st October, 2000 in the following disciplines as per the qualifying norms laid down by the respective International Federations:-

1. Athletics; 2. Badminton;

3. Boxing; 4. Hockey (Men);

5. Judo; 6. Rowing;

7 Shooting; 8. Swimming;

9. Table Tennis; 10. Tennis;
11 Weightlifting; and 12. Wrestling.

India would be participating in these disciplines.

(e) & (f) : In the Sydney Olympic Games only the sportspersons/ team qualified as per the norms laid down by the International Sports Federations concerned can participate. Accordingly, most of the teams have been selected. Athletics and Weightlifting teams will be finalised by 22nd August, 2000 as the deadline for sending the entry by name is 25th August, 2000. For imparting intensive training to all probables, Government has engaged 14 foreign coaches/experts.